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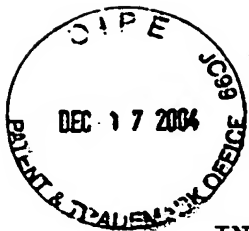
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In accordance with their duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56, Applicants would like to direct the Examiner's attention to the following references which are listed below and on Forms PTO/SB/08A and PTO/SB/08B, which are attached hereto as **Exhibit A and Exhibits 1 and 5**.

1. European International Search Report for Electrical and Electronics, Ltd., European Application No. EP 04016069.9, Filed July 8, 2004, Dated November 9, 2004. [Exhibit 1]
2. U.S. Patent Publication No. 2002/0148356, Lazaris, et al., for "Beverage Filter Cartridge Holder", Published October 17, 2002. [Exhibit 2]

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3. European Patent No. EP1000574, Nestle SA, for "Method And Device For Extracting A Closed Cartridge", May 17, 2000. [Exhibit 3]
4. U.S. Publication No. 2003/0089245, U.S. Serial No. 10/290,241, Kollep, et al., for "Device For Extracting A Substance", Published May 15, 2003. [Exhibit 4]
5. U.S. Patent No. 6,490,966, Issued December 10, 2002, Mariller, et al., "Method and Device for Extracting the Contents of a Capsule". [Exhibit 5]
6. International Patent Application No. WO 01/15582, for Sara Lee/DE N.V.; "Apparatus for preparing a Coffee Extract with a Fine-Bubble Froth Layer Using a Liquid Flow Decelerating Barrier", March 14, 2002.
7. U.S. Patent No. 5,794,519, August 18, 1998, Daniel Fisher, "Brewing Head for Coffee Portion Capsules of an Espresso Machine".

References 6-7 of the above-identified seven (7) references were submitted as prior art to the United States Patent and Trademark Office on September 23, 2003 and July 9, 2003 for U.S. Serial No. 10/616,417, filed July 9, 2003. Accordingly, Applicants will not provide these documents unless otherwise requested by the Examiner.

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